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CAPE MEARES LIGHTHOUSE PARKING AREA

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I am pleased to say our contractor Cisneros was able to complete the arrangements that resulted in hot asphalt laid down yesterday. K& L Paving Contractors from Canby Oregon made the trip and started laying down asphalt around 9:30 am. SC Paving was manufacturing the asphalt mix here in Tillamook. The goal for K&L was to have all the gravel segments completed today as well as a portion of the trail work. I should clarify that the trail work is only short segments near the parking area. In earlier discussions with K&L they planned to pave both on Friday and Saturday, however when they arrived Friday morning the only paving they were now committed to was the first layer over the gravel.

With three K&L dump trucks hauling and two Klassen trucks from Tillamook the 290-degree asphalt began to flow. By 3:00 pm it was obvious to all that achieving the goal of covering all the gravel segments was not going to happen today. With everyone agreeing to what had priority the plan was to pave as long as daylight allowed. Well daylight turned to dark and we still had dump trucks coming from SC with asphalt. Around 7:00 the last of the asphalt was out of the trucks and with everyone's vehicle headlights lighting the way, the compaction rollers finished out the day.

The plan now is to come back and finish what remains of the gravel segments and trails, weather permitting perhaps next week or as soon as possible. When this is complete the parking area is ready for the final 2-inch asphalt overlay. This final overlay will be difficult, as I may have mentioned earlier the existing surface needs to be dry for the application of the binder or glue between asphalt layers.

Once the paving is complete we still have concrete curbs to pour in place, wheel stops to install, and delineation of the parking with those raised white domes. A lot of work remains, some of which requires dry pavement to complete. Aside from construction of a large tent over the parking lot waiting for dry but not freezing weather could take a while.

If you have any commits or concerns related to the construction please forward these to the listed Email address or call 360-907-0685.

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